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## AN ENERGY STAR BUILDINGS™ AND GREEN LIGHTS® CASE STUDY FOR Salem Community College

**Project Director** Keith Duke

Partner Since April, 1997

**Total Committed** Square Footage 136.700

Location Salem, NJ

"Conectiv's support has led to the Salem Center becoming the first ENERGY STAR Building<sup>SM</sup> in Salem County-a lot of hard work, collaboration and cooperation have led us here today for what we hope will be the start of bigger and better things for Salem Community College and certainly for the County of Salem.

- Keith Duke

Salem Community College, an ENERGY STAR Buildings<sup>SM</sup> Partner, believes that strong community relationships are vital to the collegeis long-term growth and success. In efforts to contribute to the community's well-being, the college decided to purchase and renovate an abandoned building in the heart of downtown Salem. Because the abandoned building had previously been a bustling store and served as a public reminder of the economic downturn in the area, Salem Community College elected to use the space to benefit not only the college, but the community as well. The new building would be called the Salem Center and would house basic adult education, worker training, and some social services in addition to providing higher education resources for the college.

During the process of renovating and refurbishing the building, Salem Community College hired Energy STAR Buildings Ally, Conectiv Solutions to upgrade the buildingis energy systems. Conectiv installed energy-efficient

Total Expenditures	Project Costs
Dollars Per Square Foot	
Total Square Footage Upgraded	
Percent Upgraded	
Annual Dollar Savings	Cost Savings
Dollar Savings Per Square Foot	
Internal Rate of Return (IRR)	
Annual kWh Savings	Energy Savings
Annual Carbon Dioxide (lbs.)*	Pollution Prevention
Equivalent Cars off the Road	
Equivalent Acres of Trees Planted	
	Total Square Footage Upgraded Percent Upgraded  Annual Dollar Savings Dollar Savings Per Square Foot Internal Rate of Return (IRR)  Annual kWh Savings  Annual Carbon Dioxide (lbs.)* Equivalent Cars off the Road

\*numbers reported by Salem Community College. Totals are from upgrades projects started in 1993 and continuing today.

lights and windows as well as an energy control system. Conectiv also upgraded the buildingss HVAC system, installing geothermal heat pumps which significantly reduced energy use. The heat pumps were financed, in part, by rebates from Atlantic Energy, the utility serving the College.

As a result of energy-efficiency upgrades, Salem Community College expects to save \$75,000 in energy costs per year. Beyond the financial benefits, however, the college now has a new building that is appreciated by both students and community members alike. Said one attendee at the groundbreaking ceremony, "This facility will surely go a long way in making Salem County a better place to live but, moreover, a better and easier place to learn."